

MARK PLAZZA
Mayor



Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, Southwest
Washington, District of Columbia
20554

Re: AT&T's proposed merger with T-Mobile, under review in the 11-65 docket

Dear Commissioners:

We in Abbeville are fond of saying our city, only 150 miles west of New Orleans, is in the heart of "Cajun Country." That Cajun flair is evident in our many restaurants and the historical essence of our downtown area, which we are currently revitalizing. As Mayor of Abbeville, I am proud of what we have to offer, and I'd like to see our unique city thrive in the future.

I believe a significant factor in ensuring our future success is providing technological resources for our businesses. Foremost among these resources is broadband Internet. Our business community, including retail stores and restaurants that make Abbeville attractive to tourists, as well as our agriculture and seafood-related industries, should have the fastest, most reliable Internet service available. AT&T's merger with T-Mobile can make sure they do.

The network AT&T will provide following its merger with T-Mobile is based on 4G LTE technology. In addition to faster speeds, the network will use the combination of AT&T and T-Mobile's resources to provide more widely and reliably available access.

Abbeville businesses can use this technology to reach out to more potential tourists and consumers. They can also find more efficient ways to conduct their day-to-day operations. In addition, businesses with this powerful Internet access can better compete in the increasingly global market.

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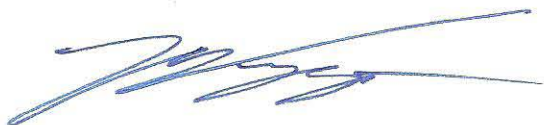
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The business community of Abbeville, Louisiana could use the technological benefits of an AT&T and T-Mobile merger to improve their competitiveness and chances of success. I ask you to approve it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Piazza', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mark Piazza
Mayor, City of Abbeville

CC:

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Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
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